

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claims 1-50 (canceled)

Claim 51 (new): A toner container for use with an image forming apparatus,  
comprising:

a container body configured to store toner and including a toner outlet; and  
a shutter positioned at the toner outlet, configured to control passage of the toner out  
of the container body, and including a movable member configured to move in the toner  
outlet,  
wherein the container body is replenished with additional toner via the toner outlet.

Claim 52 (new): The toner container of claim 51, wherein the shutter is configured to  
interface with a nozzle provided at a setting portion, and the setting portion is configured to  
removably receive the container body of the toner container.

Claim 53 (new): The toner container of claim 52, wherein a diameter of the movable  
member of the shutter is equal to that of the nozzle.

Claim 54 (new): The toner container of claim 52, wherein the movable member  
includes a piston and a piston rod, and an outer diameter of the piston is equal to an outer  
diameter of the nozzle.

Claim 55 (new): The toner container of claim 51, wherein the movable member includes a piston and a piston rod.

Claim 56 (new): The toner container of claim 55, further comprising:  
a mouthpiece member at the toner outlet, wherein,  
the shutter includes a support member, and  
the mouthpiece member is configured to support the support member.

Claim 57 (new): The toner container of claim 51, wherein the shutter includes an elastic member configured to bias the movable member away from an interior of the container body.

Claim 58 (new): The toner container of claim 57, wherein the elastic member is a coil spring.

Claim 59 (new): The toner container of claim 51, wherein the shutter includes a sealing member including a hole configured to receive the movable member.

Claim 60 (new): The toner container of claim 58, wherein the sealing member is made of a sponge material.

Claim 61 (new): A toner container for use with an image forming apparatus, comprising:

a container body configured to store toner and including a toner outlet; and

shutter means for controlling the passage of toner out of the container body, wherein the shutter means is positioned at the toner outlet and includes a movable member configured to move in the toner outlet,

wherein the container body is replenished with additional toner via the toner outlet.

Claim 62 (new): The toner container of claim 61, wherein the shutter means interfaces with a nozzle provided at a setting portion, and the setting portion is configured to removably receive the container body of the toner container.

Claim 63 (new): The toner container of claim 62, wherein a diameter of the movable member of the shutter means is equal to that of the nozzle.

Claim 64 (new): The toner container of claim 62, wherein the movable member includes a piston and a piston rod, and an outer diameter of the piston is equal to an outer diameter of the nozzle.

Claim 65 (new): The toner container of claim 61, wherein the movable member includes a piston and a piston rod.

Claim 66 (new): The toner container of claim 65, further comprising:  
a mouthpiece member at the toner outlet, wherein,  
the shutter means includes a means for support, and  
the mouthpiece member is configured to support the means for support.

Claim 67 (new): The toner container of claim 61, wherein the shutter means includes means for biasing the movable member away from an interior of the container body.

Claim 68 (new): The toner container of claim 67, wherein the means for biasing is a coil spring.

Claim 69 (new): The toner container of claim 61, wherein the shutter means includes a sealing member including a hole configured to receive the movable member.

Claim 70 (new): The toner container of claim 68, wherein the sealing member is made of a sponge material.

Claim 71 (new): A method of mounting a toner container to an image forming apparatus,

the toner container including,

a container body storing toner, and

a shutter arranged at a toner outlet of the container body, configured to control passage of the toner out of the toner container, and including a movable member configured to move in the toner outlet, and

the image forming apparatus including,

a container holder configured to receive and support the container body, and

a nozzle configured to interface with the movable member, protrude through the shutter, and enter the container body,

the method comprising:

inserting the container body into the container holder such that the nozzle enters the container body via the shutter, wherein the nozzle interfaces and forces the movable member into the container body.

Claim 72 (new): The method of claim 71, wherein,  
the shutter includes an elastic member,  
the movable member includes a piston, and  
the elastic member biases the piston away from an interior of the container body.

Claim 73 (new): The method of claim 71, wherein a diameter of the piston is equal to a diameter of the nozzle.

Claim 74 (new): A toner replenishing device for use in an image forming apparatus, comprising:

- a toner container including,
  - a container body configured to store toner,
  - a shutter arranged at a toner outlet of the container body, configured to control passage of the toner out of the container body, and including a movable member configured to move in the toner outlet; and
- a setting portion including,
  - a container holder configured to support the toner container, and
  - a nozzle configured to interface with the movable member, protrude through the shutter, and enter the container body.

Claim 75 (new): The toner replenishing device of claim 74, wherein a diameter of the movable member is equal to a diameter of the nozzle.

Claim 76 (new): The toner replenishing device of claim 74, further comprising:  
a toner conveyance path extending from the toner container;  
a toner delivery device configured to withdraw toner from the toner container and to transport the toner along the toner conveyance path; and  
an air supplying device configured to supply the toner container with air.

Claim 77 (new): A toner container for use with an image forming apparatus, comprising:  
a container body configured to store toner and including a toner outlet; and  
a shutter positioned at the toner outlet and including,  
a toner passage configured to allow passage of the toner from an interior area of the container body, and  
a movable member configured to move in the toner passage.

Claim 78 (new): The toner container of claim 77, wherein the shutter is configured to interface with a nozzle provided at a setting portion, and the setting portion is configured to removably receive the container body of the toner container.

Claim 79 (new): The toner container of claim 78, wherein a diameter of the movable member of the shutter is equal to that of the nozzle.

Claim 80 (new): The toner container of claim 78, wherein the movable member includes a piston and a piston rod, and an outer diameter of the piston is equal to an outer diameter of the nozzle.

Claim 81 (new): The toner container of claim 77, wherein the movable member includes a piston and a piston rod.

Claim 82 (new): The toner container of claim 81, further comprising:  
a mouthpiece member at the toner outlet, wherein,  
the shutter includes a support member that forms the toner passage, and  
the mouthpiece member is configured to support the support member.

Claim 83 (new): The toner container of claim 77, wherein the shutter includes an elastic member configured to bias the movable member away from an interior of the container body.

Claim 84 (new): The toner container of claim 83, wherein the elastic member is a coil spring.

Claim 85 (new): The toner container of claim 77, wherein the shutter includes a sealing member including a hole configured to receive the movable member.

Claim 86 (new): The toner container of claim 84, wherein the sealing member is made of a sponge material.

Claim 87 (new): The toner container of claim 77, wherein a diameter of the toner outlet is greater than a diameter of the toner passage.

Claim 88 (new): The toner container of claim 77, wherein the container body is filled with the toner via the toner outlet.

Claim 89 (new): The toner container of claim 77, wherein the container body is replenished with additional toner via the toner outlet.

Claim 90 (new): The toner container of claim 77, wherein the toner is stored in the container body.



IN THE DRAWINGS

The attached sheet of drawings includes changes to Figs. 5, 7, and 9. These sheets, which respectively include Figs. 5, 7, and 9, replace the original sheets including Figs. 5, 7, and 9.

Attachment: Replacement Sheets